

REMARKS

Claim 17 remains in this application and has been amended to be an independent claim. Claims 1 and 16 are cancelled.

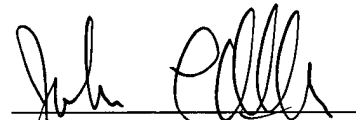
The Examiner indicated that claim 17 would be allowable in independent form, claim 17. Thus, with entry of this amendment, claim 17, the only remaining claim in this application will be in condition for allowance. Thus, entry of this amendment and allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

The Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or §1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning this matter, he is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at 202/220-4200

Respectfully submitted,

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